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SUBJECT: GENERAL STRIKE SET FOR FEBRUARY 17

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1. ICELANDIC FEDERATION OF LABOR'S SO-CALLED BACK-UP COMMITTEE FOR CURRENT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH MANAGEMENT (REFTEL HAS CALLED FOR GENERAL STRIKE FEBRUARY 17 IF AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN REACHED BY THAT DATE. COMMITTEE VOTE REPORTEDLY WAS UNANIMOUS. PREVIOUS GENERAL STRIKE OCCURRED FEBRUARY 1974 AND LASTED 6 DAYS.

2. NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH BEGAN ALMOST TWO MONTHS AGO, HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY HAMPERED BY INABILITY OF GOVERNMENT OT TAKE MAJOR PART IN TALKS BECAUSE OF FISHERIES DISPUTE. GOVERNMENT ROLE IS NECESSARY BECAUSE BOTH LABOR AND EMPLOYERS ARE URGING ENACTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ECONOMIC MEASURES AS SUPPLEMENT TO WAGE SETTLEMENT. INDEPENDENCE PARTY'S DAILY MORGUNBLADIDXC IN FEBRUARY 1 EDITORIAL, EXPRESSED GOVERNMENT'S HOPES THAT LABOR WOULD SHOW FOREBEARANCE DURING SERIOUS CHALLENGE TO NATION POSED BY FISHERIES DISPUTE. IFL PRESIDENT BJORN JONSSON, HOWEVER, HAD

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NOTED BEFORE YESTERDAY'S DECISION THAT STRIKE THREAT SEEMS TO BE

ONLY WAY TO GET THINGS MOVING.  
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